

**SEIZED "OFFICER"
HAS IRON CROSS**

Letter on Man Taken in Restaurant
Refers to Woman's Diamond
Loss in Taxicab.

Two shields, one gold plated and bearing the inscription "Special Officer," and the other a United States Secret Service badge, were found this morning on a man who said he was William Johnson, forty-five years old, a magazine solicitor of No. 236 West 26th Street, who was arrested in a restaurant at No. 1321 Second Avenue charged with impersonating an officer.

Detectives say they were in the restaurant when a boy told Johnson there were two "phony-looking" men outside. Johnson hurriedly donned his coat and started for the door when he was stopped by the detectives. When the prisoner was searched the detectives say they found a German Iron Cross, a silver ring bearing the Iron Cross design, blank checks signed "Charles Otto," and a blank oil stock certificate.

A letter is said to have been found on Johnson from a prominent Philadelphia woman concerning the loss of diamonds in a taxicab in this city recently. The letter discussed the best method of locating the gems and referred to a man Johnson said he suspected of having found them.

**QUESTION CAILLAUX
ON ITALIAN PLOTS**

PARIS, Feb. 25.—The defeatist campaign in Italy was brought to the front when the trial of Joseph Caillaux, former Premier, charged with implication in plots to defeat France during the war, was resumed this afternoon.

Leon Bourgeois, President of the Senate, which sits as a high court of justice in the trial, questioned Caillaux about his voyages abroad and his alleged connection with the Italian plots. Caillaux declared he foresaw in 1916 the conditions that would prevail after the war and that he sought an opportunity to make peace with Italy so that Italy's interests would be safeguarded at the Peace Conference. At no time, M. Caillaux asserted, was there any question of politics or a peace compromise.

**VOODOO CHARMS
DO NOT SAVE CHIEF
WHO BLEW OUT GAS**

Indian Leader's Dried Snake Head
No Match for White Man's
Invention.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25. U. M. SUM KEM, Chief of the Kaysme Indians of Umatilla County, Oregon, who was en route to Washington on business for his tribe, was found asphyxiated in a hotel here today. The police were of the opinion that he had blown out the gas. On a string about his neck were found four small charms bags. In each bag was the dried head of a snake.



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MANY people come to Ovington's to select a gift for another; till the spirit of covetousness gets the better of them and they end by sending a second gift—this time to themselves.

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**EX-GOV. MURPHY'S
FUNERAL IN NEWARK**

Jerseyites Pay Tribute to Prominent Citizen Who Died at Palm Beach, Fla.

Flags are at half mast to-day in Newark in honor of former Gov. Franklin Murphy of New Jersey, whose body is on its way from Palm Beach, Fla., where he died yesterday following an operation.

Mr. Murphy had been a prominent figure in the Republican Party for a quarter of a century and was a leading citizen of his State and of New

ark. Mayor Gillies of Newark issued a proclamation asking that "our citizens render suitable tribute to his memory during the time of the obsequies."

NO FILM CENSOR FOR STATE.

ALBANY, Feb. 25.—State censorship of motion pictures in any form is undesirable and the only promising method of regulating the production and exhibition of motion pictures is by the National Board of Review. This was the report of a special committee of the State Conference of Mayors at its mid-winter conference yesterday.

FAMILY STRANGELY GASSED.

Hot Water Apparatus Gave No Odor, Attorney Bregan Reports.

Following the receipt of a letter from former Assistant District Attorney Edward E. Bregan in which he told how his family had nearly been poisoned by gas from a hot water heater which gave no warning and no odor, Health Commissioner Copeland said last night he will immediately investigate conditions throughout the city.

Dr. Copeland furnished records to show all of the 528 gas poisoning cases reported since Jan. 1 were attributable to leaks. Deaths were caused as follows:

Open jet, 27; leak in tubing, 7; leak in gas stove, 19; turned off gas near stove while coal cook was leaving, 2; frozen gas, 4; leak in pipes, 11; tube disconnected, 2; gas stove jet open, 12; gas stove and light coals too close, 3; and insufficient pressure, 3. A bill relating to this subject is pending before the Board of Aldermen.

Acquitted of Murder.

Castor Stockness was acquitted yesterday in Jersey City by the direction of Judge James W. McCarthy of the murder on Aug. 28, 1919, of Paul Wendelaff, widow of Paul Wendelaff. Judge McCarthy held the State failed to connect Stockness with the alleged murder. The trial of Mrs. Wendelaff will continue to-day.

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Bona-fide Clearance Reductions apply on our Winter stock. Every pair offered is a Jantzen shoe, made for Jantzen. Every model is smart, suitable for now. Every reduction is an liberal as it is legitimate. Twice a year clearances mean fresh stocks all the year.

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BREATHING smart style both in quality of material and beauty of line are these coats fashioned of Evora, Silvertip Bolivia and Velour de Laine, with smart collars of Raccoon, Squirrel and Taupe Nutria contributing the touch that completes a typical mid-season garment.

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Final Reductions in Fur-Trimmed Winter Suits

EXQUISITE of line and soft of fabric are these graceful suits of Duvet Superior, Yalama and Velour de Laine, requiring little to achieve the coveted quality of distinction that marks the Winter mode, unless it be their jaunty collars of Taupe Nutria, Jap Mink and Squirrel.

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60.00

THERE is such an assured style and thoroughbred air about the tailleurs of Yalama, Velour de Laine and Tricotine, with their deft trimmings of silk embroidery and collars of Squirrel, Ringtail and Taupe Nutria, that they will meet with instant feminine approval.

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75.00

**Frocks That Possess the Newest and Smartest Touches
and Reflect the Gladsome Spirit of Spring**

The Values Are Most Extraordinary

INTERESTING in their forecasts of the coming Spring modes and in wonderful variety of models and newness of line are the frocks of Taffeta Silk, Satin, Georgette and Tricotine, with accordion pleated ruffles and frills, round necks, short sleeves and beading, affording opportunities for individuality of effect.

Very Specially Priced

30.00

ALL the alluring daintiness that characterizes the new Spring-time modes is reflected in the frocks of Georgette, Taffeta Silk and Tricotine that find completion in elaborate bead work and clever embroidery, with variety of detail expressed in Bolero jackets, basque waists, and pleated and Russian tunic skirts.

Very Specially Priced

50.00

UNUSUALLY chic and charming in their pleasing predictions of the modes for Spring are the frocks of Crepe Meteor, Satin, Poirer Twill, Needle Tricotine, Kitten's Ear Crepe and Georgette, revealed in picturesque beading, waists and gilets of tinsel brocade, apron or peplum tunics and other ways that foretell a season of wonderful style splendor.

Very Specially Priced

75.00

AGLOW with the brightest and most bewitching colors of Spring, tea rose, fawn, tango, sunset, Hague blue, jade, coral and seagreen, with rich gold thread embroidery and glistening beading imparting still greater beauty, are these ultra-modish frocks of Crepe Georgette, some with the new pleated tier skirt.

Very Specially Priced

125.00

New Spring Suits of Distinctive Originality

SMART mannish tailormades and sports suits, executed in Homespun, Poirer Twill, Gabardine, Velour Checks, Serge, Tricotine, Coverts and Silvertone, are distinguished by jaunty belted or belted box coats of various lengths, featuring the new snug shoulder, close-fitting sleeve, and seams and inverted pleats finished with silk arrow heads. Skirts are in circular and pleated effects.

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THESE luxurious two and three-piece costume suits of Serge, Poirer Twill and Tricotine, enriched by exquisite silk embroidery and braid trimming, express the ultimate of workmanship, their charm of style enhanced by attractive innovations in the way of Eton and Bolero jackets; longer coats in slim straightline effects with waistcoats and gilets of tinsel brocade and other rich contrasting silks. Skirts are in pleated, tunic and circular effects.

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Brown Lace Boots; 11 styles; that were \$7.85 \$9.50 to \$12.00

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